

terially. However, there is no procedure by which the Convention could adopt a debate schedule limiting debate generally, other than by the adoption of a new rule or the suspension of rules.

Accordingly, in order to place before the Convention at any time when debate appears to be unduly prolonged, the Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda would, at such time, move for a limitation of debate on the specific question then before the Convention.

The Chair would hope that each delegate proposing an amendment would limit himself voluntarily to six minutes to present the amendment and to answer any questions and that the Chairman of the Committee who would be given the floor immediately thereafter to answer with respect to the amendment would likewise voluntarily limit himself to six minutes for answering questions.

The Chair would hope that all delegates would thereafter limit themselves voluntarily to three minutes for each speech because that has worked well in the Committee of the Whole.

There is no compulsion on this and only if the debate seems to be unduly prolonged will there be any motion to limit debate. The question will then be up to the Convention.

In order that everyone may have adequate opportunity to consider any amendments and prepare any amendments, no committee recommendation or report of the Committee on Style will be placed on the calendar for consideration on second reading before the day after the printed report of the Committee on Style and the second reader is on your desk.

This should give everyone ample opportunity to prepare amendments. The whole purpose of this procedure is, of course, to facilitate consideration of amendments in an orderly manner.

I am sure that the Convention has in mind that the second reader is not the time to reargue all the questions which have been debated before the Committee of the Whole and the Chair would therefore anticipate that the number of amendments would be very few, that they would be carefully thought out and worked out in advance, and that there would be no necessity or need for amendments or modifications to be made from the floor, so that each of you will be fully advised and have

in mind the rules which the Chair has just announced. I will put them in the form of a written memorandum and give them to each of you so that you have it before you.

Keep in mind that this is a rule which the Chair expects to follow. The decision on any of these matters is, of course, for the majority of the Convention.

For what purpose does Delegate Malkus rise?

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. President, to make an observation and then ask you a question.

We are now getting into the most important part of the Convention. What we have done in lay language now comes back to us in the legal language that we have to live with. That is the most important part of the Convention.

Now I am not exactly clear, and this is my question. How much time are you going to give us to read these committee reports from Style and Drafting before the subject matter is taken up and before we have an opportunity to prepare our amendments, which I presume will also be in legal form?

How much time are we going to have? We have got to have enough time to read these amendments, to study these reports from the Committee on Style and Drafting to see that the legal language says what we talked about in lay language.

How much time are you going to give us to study reports and prepare our amendments?

THE PRESIDENT: As indicated, the Chair will not have for Calendar and Agenda, for action, on any day, a second reader that has not been printed and on your desk at least by the previous day.

That does not mean necessarily that every long report of the Committee on Style will be on the Calendar on the day after you see it. Some of the simpler reports will be.

Delegate Malkus.

DELEGATE MALKUS: I sat down and I am happy that you again recognized me.

Will the reports be on our desk when we convene at 10:00 each morning? If we are going to take them up the next day—

THE PRESIDENT: I hope that they would be on your desk by 10:00. The reports that will be on the calendar for tomorrow obviously are not on your desk